



## MEDIA RELEASE

### FREE COMPUTER CLASSES AT CENTRAL LIBRARY Google Drive and Facebook Workshops in September

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The Santa Barbara Public Library System is offering free computer classes on Google's "cloud-based" Drive service and on Facebook in September. The small group classes will be held in the Townley Room of the Central Library, 40 E. Anapamu St. Computers will be provided for all classes.

The **Google Drive** class is for those with some computer experience who would like to learn how to create, edit and share their documents, spreadsheets and presentations online from any computer. The Google Drive class will be held on Sunday, September 9 from 3:00pm to 4:00pm and repeated on Sunday, September 23 at the same time. Space is limited to six learners, and reservations are required. Reservations may be made by calling the Central Reference Desk at 805-564-5604.

**Facebook for Beginners** will be offered on Friday, September 14, from 3:00pm to 4:00pm, and again on Friday, September 28 at the same time. This class is for those who are new to social networking and would like to learn the basics of Facebook. Topics covered will include privacy settings, finding friends, uploading photos, updating status, Newsfeed and Timeline features, and how to deactivate or delete an account. Reservations are required for this free one-hour class, as space is limited. Reservations may be made by calling the Central Reference Desk at 805-564-5604.

The Central Library also has an ongoing free computer coaching program for one-to-one sessions. Absolute beginners to more advanced users can reserve a half-hour or one-hour free coaching session any day of the week. Volunteer coaches are available from 1 to 5 pm to teach basic computer skills, and how to search the internet, set up an email account, fill out job applications online, use programs, manage files, and download free eBooks and audio books from the library's [website](#). Learners may work with the coach on the library's computer or bring in their own laptop, tablet, or other device. Appointments may be made by calling the library Reference Desk at (805)564-5604.

All branches of the Santa Barbara Public Library System have free Wi-Fi and internet computers, and all library programs are free and open to the public. For more information

about Library programs and services, please visit our web site at [SBPLibrary.org](http://SBPLibrary.org). If you need assistance to participate in a library program, please contact Library administration at (805)564-5608.

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